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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR CALIBRATING AT LEAST TWO VIDEO CAMERAS RELATIVELY TO EACH OTHER FOR

STEREOSCOPIC FILMING AND DEVICE THEREFOR

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Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-20 are allowed.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

[Claim 1]: A method of calibrating at least two video cameras (1, 2) relative to each other when said two cameras constitute apparatus for stereoscopically filming (3) a portion of pathway (4) suitable for having any type of body traveling there along, in order to detect the state of occupation of said portion of pathway, and in particular to detect incidents that might occur on said portion of pathway, the method being characterized in that it consists:

in placing a plurality of marks on the surface (5) of the portion of pathway (4), said marks being distributed substantially:

in ordered manner on a first group of first and second geometrical lines D1, D2 meeting at a first point P1; and

in such a manner that given points belonging respectively to the marks having the same order relative to the first point P1 on said first and second geometrical lines D1, D2 are situated on a second group of fourth and fifth geometrical lines D4, D5 meeting at a second point P2 that does not coincide with the first point P1;

in forming a video image of said portion of pathway (4) including said marks, using each of the two video cameras; in defining a characteristic point Pc for each image of a mark in each of the two video images; in determining first and second image lines Dli, D2i and fourth and fifth image lines D4i, D5i from said characteristic points Pc;

in determining a first image meeting point for the first and second image lines D1i, D2i and a second image meeting point for the fourth and fifth image lines D4i, D5i in each of the video images; and

in processing the video signals delivered by each video camera in such a manner that these signals are representative of two images suitable for being processed by stereovision.

Discussion of prior art

1) US Patent # 5,905,568 (Mark McDowell) teaches a calibration equipment for two camera by imaging a calibration target plane containing calibration points as shown in figure 3. However it does not teach marks having the same order relative to a first point on first and second geometrical lines situated on a second group of fourth and fifth geometrical lines meeting at a second point that does not coincide with the first point.

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Conclusion

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